

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A suspension system for a vehicle, comprising:

an outer rotor type motor having a stator provided on an outer surface of a cylindrical member that defines ~~space~~ a space open to at least an inboard side of the vehicle, and a rotor rotatably supported by the cylindrical member, wherein

the outer rotor type motor is provided within a wheel and the rotor of the outer rotor type motor is connected to the wheel;

a suspension arm whose mounting portion is provided on an inner surface of the cylindrical member; and

a hub ~~that is fixed~~ to the wheel in the vicinity of a wheel rim ~~and is and~~ connected to the cylindrical member via a bearing on a side of the cylindrical member opposite the suspension arm that allows relative rotation between the cylindrical member and the wheel, wherein

the hub has an annular shape so as to be accommodated between the cylindrical member and the rotor, such that load inputs to the wheel, such as vertical transverse loads and back-and-forth loads, are transmitted to the cylindrical member only via the rotor and the bearing ~~and then are~~, the load inputs then being received by the suspension arm.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The suspension system ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1 further comprising:

a sealing ~~that is~~ arranged between the cylindrical member and the rotor and inboard of the rotor; and

a second bearing ~~that is~~ arranged between the cylindrical member and the rotor and adjacent to the sealing.

4. (Currently Amended) The suspension system ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 1, wherein ~~connected to the rotor is~~ a brake disk is connected to the rotor and ~~that is~~ disposed such that a disk surface of the brake disk is located within the space defined by the cylindrical member.

5. (Currently Amended) The suspension system ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 4, wherein the brake disk is bolted to the hub adjacent to the bearing.

6. (Currently Amended) The suspension system ~~as claimed in~~ of claim 3, wherein ~~connected to the rotor is~~ a brake disk ~~that is~~ is connected to the rotor and disposed such that a disk surface of the brake disk is located within the space defined by the cylindrical member.

7-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) The suspension system ~~according to~~ of claim 1, wherein the bearing is one of a double row angular bearing ~~or a single~~, and a single row and four points contact type bearing.

10. (Currently Amended) The suspension system ~~according to~~ of claim 3, wherein the bearing is one of a double row angular bearing ~~or a single~~, and a single row and four points contact type bearing.

11. (Currently Amended) The suspension system ~~according to~~ of claim 4, wherein the bearing is one of a double row angular bearing ~~or a single~~, and a single row and four points contact type bearing.

12. (Currently Amended) The suspension system ~~according to~~ of claim 5, wherein the bearing is one of a double row angular bearing ~~or a single~~, and a single row and four points contact type bearing.

13. (Currently Amended) The suspension system ~~according to~~ of claim 6, wherein the bearing is one of a double row angular bearing ~~or a single~~, and a single row and four points contact type bearing.

14-17. (Canceled)